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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Yasuhiro Tani, et al.

Attorney Docket No.: NMCIP027

Application No.: 10/006,977

Examiner: T.V. Eley

Filed: December 4, 2001

Group: 3724

Title: POLISHING AGENT, METHOD OF  
PRODUCING SAME, AND METHOD OF  
POLISHING

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**TRANSMITTAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response To Requirement For Restriction for the above-identified application.



Applicants believe that no Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicants hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. NMCIP027).



Please charge any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. NMCIP027).

Respectfully submitted,  
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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction dated October 6, 2004 as between Group I consisting of claim 4 and Group II consisting of claim 5, applicant hereby elects Group II consisting of claim 5 to be examined first. The election is without traverse and does not affect the inventorship.

It now goes without saying that applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application regarding Group I currently not elected.

Some relevant portions of the specification will be amended at a suitable later time, reflecting the aforementioned election.

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